

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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PCT/EP2004/007437

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 5 258 389 A (GOULET MARK ET AL) 2 November 1993 (1993-11-02) claim 1 column 24, line 31 - line 32	1,2,4, 6-8
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Y	page 444, left-hand column, last paragraph	1,2,4, 6-8
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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

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